

Women's Club Holds Election

New officers, to be installed in May, were elected at the regular April meeting of Medford Junior Women's club. Those named to office are Mrs. Gene Chamberlain, president; Mrs. Richard Ackerman, first vice-president; Mrs. F. D. Nelson, second vice-president; Mrs. Bob G. Norris, recording secretary; Mrs. Robert Hercher, treasurer; and Mrs. Virgil Morton, corresponding secretary.

Delegates to the annual convention of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs were also named by the group. They will be Mrs. Chamberlain, Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Eugene Ingram. Also attending will be Mrs. John L. Holmes, state board member and junior representative for district 1. The convention will be May 10, 11, and 12 at the new Sheraton hotel in Portland. May 11 will be Junior day. The program for the juniors will include a breakfast, business sessions, and banquet. An interesting feature of the banquet will be reports of activities of member clubs throughout the state by the representing presidents.

Mrs. Nelson was hostess, assisted by Mrs. Chamberlain and Mrs. William E. Sweet.

Gardeners Name Three Delegates

Talent—Mrs. C. S. Barrett, Mrs. Leon Lockwood and Mrs. Glenn Mosser will be voting delegates for Talent Garden club at the spring meeting of Siskiyou district, Oregon Federation of Garden clubs. The meeting will be held April 27 at Camp White. Mrs. John Baldwin and Mrs. H. L. Sommer are alternates.

At the last meeting, held at the home of Mrs. Russell Mix, the delegates were elected and the president, Mrs. Phillip Hoyland, appointed Mrs. Ormy Schmelzer, Mrs. Ormy Goddard and Mrs. C. H. Newton to the nominating committee.

The club voted to give a Boy Scout troop \$35 to clean up the Sterns cemetery.

Mrs. John Chandlee, Yreka, Calif., spoke on birds.

The club will elect officers at a meeting set for May 4 at the home of Mrs. Lockwood, with Mrs. Sommer as co-hostess. Plans for the flower show, to be held May 25, will be completed. "Maytime" will be the show theme.

Rights Council To Hold Session

Medford Human Rights council will meet Friday, April 29 in the county courthouse auditorium at 8 p.m. Mark Smith, administrator of the Bureau of Labor for Oregon will be the speaker.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

Members of the board of directors are reminded of the potluck buffet supper for them and invited guests to be held at the Robert Duncan home, 1500 Terrace drive at 6 o'clock before the meeting.

De Molay Dinner Meeting

Medford Order of De Molay will hold a potluck dinner for members, families and friends at 6 p.m., Wednesday, April 27 in the Medford Masonic hall.

Following the dinner, De Molay members will hold a short meeting. Master Councilor Robert Baker will preside.

Members will furnish entertainment for their guests after dinner.

Women's News • Social Events

Ashland Woman Guest of Club

Wednesday Study club held a luncheon April 20 at the Girls Community club with Ashland Study club as guests.

Lilacs and tulips were used to decorate the tables and club rooms. Mrs. L. K. Doty, Mrs. R. T. Nichol, Mrs. M. M. Morris, Mrs. Rita Miller and Mrs. O. H. Brennehan were in charge of decorations and luncheon arrangements.

Medford guests were Mrs. R. E. Green, Miss Elizabeth Burr, Mrs. J. H. Houck and Mrs. Mabel Judson.

Following luncheon Dr. Leonard B. Mayfield told of his experiences and observations during his trip last fall to the Soviet Union.

The speaker said that while "beat America" is the Russian slogan, the nation is more concerned about future development. The country still has vast areas of open farm land. He mentioned that Russia is a land of contrasts, saying that despite the fact the USSR put Sputnik into orbit, the women still sweep the streets with crude brooms and on their construction work, boxes with handles nailed on are used instead of wheelbarrows.

Dr. Mayfield spoke of collective homes, in use of identification cards and of the education of the small children in kindergartens and camps.

He said the Americans moved around freely except in military installations and private homes; the people were frank and friendly and were open in discussions.

Censorship is strict, he said, and there are no American newspapers or magazines available.

The educator also talked of working conditions, the absence of juvenile delinquency, the fact that women travel everywhere in complete safety and that petting is never permitted in public places. There is a stricter moral code in Russia than in this country, Dr. Mayfield said.

Dr. Mayfield compared the Russian school system with that of the United States and pointed out that Russia spends a higher percentage of the total income on education than is spent in America.

Lone Mountain Unit Names New Officers

Illinois Valley — Officers were elected at the last meeting of Lone Mountain Home Extension unit. They are Mrs. Gordon Anderson, re-elected chairman; Mrs. Hazel Slanaker, vice-chairman; Mrs. Edward Michels, secretary-treasurer.

Chairmen named are Mrs. James Cooke, hospitality; Mrs. William Peery, publicity; Mrs. W. C. Hunter, Mrs. J. E. McDonald, standing committee; Mrs. Homer Snider, Associated Country Women of the World; Mrs. Vester McDonald, citizenship.

A baked food sale will be held April 27 at the O'Brien postoffice, at 10 a.m. Proceeds will be used to send the vice-chairman to Corvallis for the state home extension convention May 3-4-5.

During the meeting, held at the O'Brien schoolhouse, Mrs. Homer Snider and Mrs. Slanaker gave a program on the care of synthetic fabrics.

A gift of appreciation was presented to the retiring chairman.

Quick Trick

New York — If your eyelids flicker and twitch when you apply mascara, try this trick. Open your mouth and the lids will remain steady.

Costume For 'The Birds' Said Unusual and Colorful

The rustle of wings and the twittering of birds are becoming familiar sounds at Medford High school, as the rehearsals for "The Birds", spring production of Thespian Troupe 359, are under way. The play is a delightful farce-comedy and is based upon the adventures of two young Greeks in the land of the birds. Performances will be presented May 5 and 7.

Members of the costume committee have been busily preparing for opening night. The costumes were designed by Penny Linn, chairman of the committee, and are being put together by the staff members. A variety of brilliant colors and materials has been used in the creation of the many tunics, feathers, and wings.

Epos, the king of the birds played by Mark Goodman, is to be arrayed in an all-feathered costume of browns, greys, blacks, and white. Proene, his wife played by Marty Wyatt, will appear in a silver ballet leotard with blue tights, blue wings and cape.

Iris, a "small time" goddess played by Beverly Gebhardt, is to be decked in a blue dress with silver and blue net wings. The two young men, Pithetaerus and Euelpides, played by Terry Wick and Jim Poul, will be dressed in Greek tunics.

"The rainbow" is the theme for the costumes of the bird chorus and they are composed of extremely short tunics, leotards and wings.

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Altrusa Club Members of Medford Will Meet at Home of Miss Maisie Daily

Members of the Altrusa club of Medford will meet at the home of Miss Maisie Daily, Hillcrest road, Thursday April 28, at 7 p.m. A business meeting, conducted by Miss Myrtle Otterdale, president, will be followed by a social evening and cards according to Mrs. Daily.

Garden Expert Discusses Seedlings and Weedlings

By EDNA KING MANDEVILLE
As most gardeners know, distinguishing flower seedlings from weeds is a matter of great importance. One seedsman has solved the problem by putting pictures of the seedlings on the back of each packet. Here are a few tips to help you grow the seedlings and kill the weedlings.

When you plant in rows, make certain they are well-defined and straight, with stakes at each end. Or, if you prefer to do without stakes, mix a small quantity of radish seeds with the flower seeds. The radishes germinate fast and mature quickly, showing exactly where the row is. It might be a good idea to mix a few extra at each end. In three or four weeks the radishes will have served their purpose and can be harvested — and tossed in the salad!

Now, simply trace a straight line between the stakes (or down the line of radishes) with your eye and you'll at least know where the seedlings should be. Plants outside this line will almost certainly be weeds, with the exception of a few from flower seeds which may have been washed out of place by a heavy rain. Then turn your attention to the row itself. Study the plants near the end of a row until you find those that appear only in the row and not outside of it. They may be of a slightly different color or shape from the general growth in that area.

These will be the flower seedlings. Remember, though, that if you're planting a multi-colored variety like snapdragons, the flower seedlings themselves will vary somewhat in color.

Watch Leaves
Still another rule to remember is that most all flowers you plant are dicotyledonous, which means they will have two seed leaves. There are dicotyledonous weeds, too, but crab grass and members of the onion family are monocotyledonous or single-leaved when they sprout. Therefore, any single-leaved seedling can safely be destroyed.

By all means do not be overly alarmed if your first check reveals no flower seedlings. Unfortunately, weed seeds often germinate before flower seeds. If no flower seedlings have appeared, cultivate the earth between the rows but be careful not to disturb the area where the seedlings should appear. Check again in a week's time for flower seedlings, and in the meantime don't worry about any weeds that may have appeared in the rows themselves. These can be pulled from the moist earth quite easily when they are an inch or two high.

Weeds are easiest to kill when they are small, and the sooner they are killed the less they will compete with your flowers. If you've planted your seeds in rows, it is rather easy to use a hoe or a hand cultivator to eliminate the weeds between the rows.

Remember, besides providing a garden that is a joy to you and everyone who sees it, weeding and thinning can

be a fun activity for children. During your first thinning, be careful to insure a well-balanced mixture of colors when the plants bloom. For example, when thinning snapdragons do not destroy all seedlings with reddish stems and leaves or you will be removing all your red, scarlet and purple plants, leaving just the lighter colors.

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Artists to Hear Woman Speaker

Mrs. Eric W. Allen Jr., will speak on framing pictures at a meeting of Southern Oregon Oregon Society of Artists to be held Wednesday, April 27. It is set for 7:30 p.m. at Girls Community club.

Mrs. Allen will also give advice about the best methods of exhibiting pictures. Silk screening materials will be available at a meeting for those who wish to participate in the silk screen workshop to be held by Warren Holbrook at the Crater High school the first week in May.

Paintings for the quarterly exhibit will be judged by Mrs. Frederick Trout.

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School Budget Is Topic for Oak Grove PTA

Dr. Leonard B. Mayfield, Medford school superintendent, spoke at a recent meeting of the Oak Grove Parent-Teacher association. Dr. Mayfield and Otto Ewaldsen both explained various phases of the proposed 1960-61 Medford public school budget, which will be voted on May 2.

Dr. Mayfield pointed out there will be approximately a 3 1/3 mill increase over last year's budget. Pamphlets were distributed covering facts and information of the proposed budget and the general philosophy of the Medford school system.

Dr. Mayfield then spoke on his trip to the Soviet Union and showed colored slides, interspersed with comparative and informative facts regarding schools, construction, arts and sciences, etc.

A motion made by Robert Phillips, principal, that the Oak Grove unit sponsor an Explorer post was approved by the group.

Mrs. Douglas Lamb, president, opened the meeting. Mrs. S. B. Sandberg gave the PTA prayer. The flag ceremony was conducted by Cub Scouts from Den 1, Pack 4, under the direction of Mrs. W. H. Howell, den mother.

The orchestra, directed by Elmer Ayers, presented three numbers, and the band under the direction of E. Ronald Rice, played four numbers.

Refreshments were served by mothers of pupils in the first grade.

The members viewed the science and art fair displays in the gymnasium.

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Brainy Females Attack The Press

By GAY PAULEY
UPI Women's Editor
Washington — (UPI) — The Republican party for many years has had the glamour, brilliant wit and scathing wit of Mrs. Clara Boothe Luce.

Now, I don't know whether the Democrats want a woman capable of similar role, but if they do, this impartial political observer would recommend one Miss Marya Mannes.

With these two brainy females actively campaigning, it would be a peppery presidential election year.

The two shared the speakers' platform for the first time here the other evening when the Women's National Press club gave a dinner in honor of the American Society of Newspaper Editors at its annual gathering in the capital.

Both were given one sub-

ject—"What is wrong with the American press?"—not an easy assignment when you have in your audience top-drawer newsmen from metropolitan, medium and small towns of these United States, plus assorted cabinet members, congressmen, diplomats and party-givers.

Mrs. Luce spoke from the GOP viewpoint; Miss Mannes, as the Democrat, filling in for Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, who had to cancel her appearance because of a sprained ankle.

Clara Boothe Luce, former congresswoman and former ambassador to Italy and Brazil, is an expert in the art of castigating the whole Democratic party. She also holds her own with some of its members including Sen. Wayne Morse of Oregon.

She peels off the hide with lady-like verbal slashes, her fragile blonde beauty rarely ruffled by the opposition.

Miss Mannes, who is an author, magazine writer, poet and sometime television personality, does not use the gen-

eral rapier. Matter of fact, seeing her in action for the first time, I decided she was about as inhibited as a baby just stuck with a diaper pin.

Dislikes Scandal
Mrs. Luce, the first up, found a lot she liked about the press—before she recited what she disliked including its "greater" interest in reporting "crime, sex and scandal . . . amusement and tripe" than in printing the "truth about great national figures, policies and issues."

Miss Mannes began by describing Mrs. Luce as a "distinguished Republican while I am a distinct Democrat."

It was just one of the many barbs she worked in, as she compared the press to television